

PATENT APPRICATION OFFICE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

PAMPARANA, Franco

Art Unit: 1614

Application No.: 09/869,333

Examiner: HENLY, Raymond J.

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For: ESSENTIAL FATTY ACIDS IN THE PREVENTION OF CARDIOVASCULAR EVENTS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: December 16, 2002

Sir:

The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2002.

REMARKS

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the courtesy shown to its representative during the telephonic interview of December 11, 2002. It is submitted that the following is an accurate representation of the subject matter discussed during that conversation.

It is submitted that the Office Action dated November 22, 2002 improperly states that only Claims 1-9 are pending in the present application. During the telephonic interview of December 11, 2002, it was noted that 29 claims are actually pending in the application, and not the nine indicated in the Office Action. The Examiner conceded